How It Drew Many Solons to Their Homes.

The Battles that were waged in the government, and the thousands interested in measures affecting the country, can readily understand why nothing is done to refleve them. The rules, it was said, were made to do business. They do business, but it is the business designated by the committee on rules under the rules. Privileged business eats up much of the time. If through importunity a member secures recognition from the speaker, and asks unanimous consent for the consideration of a bill which takes not a dollar out of the treasury, somebody in sure to raise the point of no quorum when the vote is taken.

Not an hour up to July 26 had been given by the committee on rules, to the committee on labor, to the committee on patents has had a west. The political sky was ablaze with suggestive premonitions. The Farmers' alliance was at work. In a few districts it had roared like a tornado, overwhelming many Representatives seeking a re-election. Republicans and Democrats whelming many Representatives seeking a months. Strange anomaly—a net that let re-election. Republicans and Democrats all the big fish through and catches the had been served alike. In other districts it resembled a flood sweeping over river bottoms and carrying everything before it. There were astounding reports from Kansas and reports equally alarming from South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and the gulf states. Senators as distinguished as Ingalls and Vance were threatened. There were anxious faces in the House. Experienced veterans heard the whistling of the storm and knew that they were in danger. They paired with men of opposite political faith in equal peril and sped to their districts to look after their political households. In some cases they were too late to save them selves. In others they are still struggling



threatens their supremacy to such an extent that it is claimed the state will go Demo-cratic. The great Caswell is said to have been knecked out of a renomination. There were also cyclones in Congressional dis-tricts in Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota and Michigan.



REV. JOHN A. ANDERSON ASSAULTS THE P. H. R.

All these rumers withered up the House like a sirocco. It shrunk to the smallest dimensions. The speaker had difficulty in counting a cuorum. Many an empty seat tells of the desperate struggle. Both sides find it difficult to keep their lines. Telegrams are received day after day telling of the fortunes of Representatives hundreds and thousands of miles away.

A quorum was found only when a vote was taken upon the most important measures. There were tiresome debates in committee of the whole on the original package, the bankruptcy and other bills. Men spoke to empty seats. The committee on rules kept its grip on the throat of the House. It not only directed what bills should be taken up, but allotted the time for consideration, and specified the hour for voting. Without this specification it would have been almost impossible to have obtained a voting quorum at the critical moment.

ewas no chance for the thousands of fills upon the calendars. These are y shoved in to fill the interstices of then by manimous consent. The list on the printed calendars toward the the month filled 130 pages. The cal-

FARMERS' ALLIANCE. vate calendar was spread over forty seven pages. There was a page of special orders, five pages of unfinished business, and a page of privileged reports. Over one thousand seven hundred bills remained upon the calendar, only 257 of which were private pensions bills.

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was threatened. His loss would have been a national loss.

In Kansas, Iowa and Illinois everything is at sea. The political life of Rev. John A. Anderson, of rough and ready Perkins and of pertinacious Funston is at stake. Anderson is a born fighter. His assaults upon the Pacific railroads alone ought to endear him to the farmers. He will be in the field despite all opposition, and if he must go down, will fail like a hero.

Then there was alarming news from South Carolina. The veteran George D. Tillman alone was undismayed. He is a brother of the Tillman who is shaking up the political aristocracy of the Palmetto state, and whose obitoary is probably already in type in the composing rooms of more than one daily newspaper.

Wild rumors came from the northwest. The sitting members were not only exposed to the blast of the Farmers' Alliance, but were shaken by a school question that had excited the German Lutherans. This azitation threw the Republican Representatives of the Badger state into a fever. It threatens their supremacy to such an extent that it is claimed the state will go Demccaratic. The great Caswell is said to have been knecked out of a renomination. There

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When the seventy five members to

elected by the Farmers' Alliance take part in the Fifty-second Congress things may be different—better if not worse.

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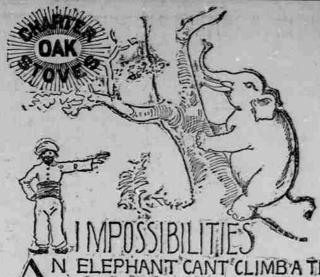
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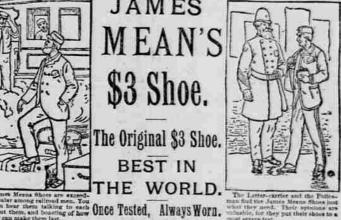
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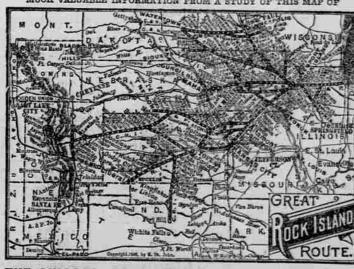
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